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My name is David Groff. I live at 4205 SE Ramona Street in Portland. I am writing to urge passage of SB611 Food for All Oregonians. I am a person of faith active in the Sacred Organizing Coalition. One of the ways that I express and live my faith is by volunteering at All Saints Episcopal Church's food pantry in my neighborhood. Widespread food insecurity assures that there is steady stream of people visiting the pantry each weekend. Most of the food comes from the Oregon Food Bank. Recent moves by the Federal to limit SNAP benefits and reduce shipments to food banks across the country have me worried about how we can continue helping those who are food insecure. SB611 is one way our state can respond to the developing situation. This measure was needed before the Federal actions. It is needed even more now.